



City of Willowick
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, December 21, 2021 at 6:30 PM
City Council Chambers

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MINUTES

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

(Total meetings to date - 20)

In the absence of Council President Patton, the twenty-first meeting of Council was called to order by Council Clerk Trend at 6:30 p.m.

PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION

The floor was opened for nominations for President Pro Tem.

Motion made by Ms. Antosh, seconded by Ms. Bisbee to nominate Mr. Vanni as President Pro Tem. There were no other nominations and the nominations were closed.

Vote: Ayes: Ms. Koudela, Mr. Malta, Mr. Phares, Ms. Antosh and Ms. Bisbee.

Abstain: Mr. Vanni.

ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL

PRESENT

Ward 1 Councilwoman Monica Koudela
Ward 1 Councilman Michael Vanni
Ward 2 Councilwoman Natalie Antosh
Ward 2 Councilwoman Theresa Bisbee
Ward 3 Councilman Charles Malta
Ward 3 Councilman David Phares

ABSENT

Council President Robert Patton

ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Regovich, Finance Director Benedict, Law Director Landgraf, Fire Chief Tennyson, Police Lieutenant Mastroianni, Service Director Shannon, Chief Housing & Zoning Inspector Brennan, City Engineer McLaughlin.

ABSENT

Police Chief Turner, Recreation Director Kless and Economic Director Drake.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Motion made by Mr. Malta, seconded by Mr. Phares to approve the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of December 21st, 2021.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS, SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS & PROCLAMATIONS

None.

ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS

None.

REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR/SAFETY DIRECTOR

Mayor Regovich attended the ICSC Conference (International Council of Shopping Centers). A meeting will be held at a later date to provide Council with more information. 2021 closes out with 340 homes and 29 condominiums being sold in Willowick.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION OF THE MAYOR'S REPORT

None.

GENERAL COMMUNICATIONS & REPORTS – Directors & Officials**Service Director – Todd Shannon**

Report submitted electronically. On December 29th bids for the HVAC Project at the Senior Center will be accepted and opened.

Recreation Director – Julie Kless

No report - absent.

City Engineer – Tim McLaughlin

No report. Sewer projects will be discussed at the beginning of the year as well as funding for them. Mayor Regovich stated that the City will be able to use grant money for the replacement of the HVAC system that has been in use since 1999. The City will start in January looking at contractors for the 2022 Road Program.

Finance Director – Cheryl Benedict

No report.

Law Director – Stephanie Landgraf

No report. There are two items on the agenda both amending Ordinances to correct typographical errors only.

Police Chief – Brian Turner

No report. Lt. Mastroianni in for Chief Turner.

Fire Chief – Joe Tennyson

Report submitted electronically. Congratulations to CK DiBaggio who has retired as the Fire Department Secretary and welcome to Lisa Hudson who has taken over her position.

Chief Housing/Zoning Inspector – Sean Brennan

No report.

Economic Development Manager – Monica Drake

No report - absent.

WARD MATTERS

Mr. Malta thanked everyone that has supported the Birthday Club as it has been very successful.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

a) Public statement (1 minute maximum)

b) Council response to the public

c) Public clarification (30 seconds to 1 minute for the purpose of restating or rearticulating an original question, concern, suggestion or idea)

Jean Bowen, 472 E. 319 St. inquired about the numerous street lights that are out on Vine St. Michael Bowen, 472 E. 319 St. provided more information that could be added to the Nike Site Memorial that is currently being discussed.

Mr. Vanni and Mr. Malta thanked Mr. Bowen for his work on the Nike Site Project.

Mr. Shannon reported there are meters on Vine St. that control different blocks of lights and some are going bad due to age. The County and CEI are involved and working to get the meters replaced.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**Finance – Vanni, Bisbee, Koudela**

No report.

Safety – Phares, Malta, Bisbee

No report.

Service, Utilities & Public Lands – Malta, Phares, Bisbee

Next meeting will be on January 4th, 2022 at the Richard J. Bonde Activity Center at 6:30 p.m.

Streets, Sidewalks & Sewers – Vanni, Malta, Antosh

No report.

Tax Compliance – Koudela, Antosh, Patton

No report.

Moral Claims – Antosh, Phares, Patton

No report.

Budget – Vanni, Koudela, Patton

No report.

LIAISON REPORTS**Planning – Phares/Alternate Koudela**

No report.

Board of Zoning Appeals – Koudela/Alternate Vanni

No report.

Volunteer Fire Fighters' Dependents Fund Board – Antosh, Phares

No report.

Recreation Board – Bisbee/Alternate Phares

The Winter Wonderland and Breakfast with Santa were a big success.

Plan Review Board – Antosh

No report.

Hearts & Hammers – Malta

Mr. Malta reported the program had another successful year and is currently looking for donation baskets for the fundraiser on January 29th, 2022.

FUND TRANSFERS & BID AUTHORIZATIONS

None.

CONTRACT APPROVALS

None.

INTRODUCTION & CONSIDERATION OF LEGISLATION**2. Ordinance No. 2021-51 (Law Director)**

An Ordinance amending Chapter 751 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Willowick, Ohio, titled "Registration of Contractors" specifically, Section 751.99, titled "Penalty," and declaring an emergency.

Motion made by Ms. Antosh, seconded by Mr. Malta to waive the three readings on Ordinance No. 2021-51.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Ms. Antosh, seconded by Mr. Phares to adopt Ordinance No. 2021-51.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

3. Ordinance No. 2021-52 (Law Director)

An Ordinance amending Chapter 1145 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Willowick, Ohio, titled "Retail District," specifically Section 1145.09 titled "Plan Approval," and declaring an emergency.

Motion made by Mr. Malta, seconded by Ms. Antosh to waive the three readings on Ordinance No. 2021-52.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Mr. Phares, seconded by Ms. Antosh to adopt Ordinance No. 2021-52.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

4. Ordinance No. 2021-53 (Finance Director) – As Amended

An Ordinance amending Ordinance 2021-9 to provide for additional appropriations from the General Fund (101); SCM&R Fund (202); Street Lighting Fund (204); Sewer Revenue Fund (205); Police & Fire Capital Improvement Fund (207); Fire Emergency Rescue Fund (208); Sanitary & Sewer Lateral Levy Fund (211); Street Improvement Fund (213); Recreation Improvement Fund (214); Permissive License Fee Fund (215); Senior Citizens Center Fund (220); Coronavirus Relief Grant Fund (226); NOPEC Grant Fund (227); Earned Benefits Fund (240); Municipal Tax Increment Equivalent Fund (302); Police Pension Fund (801); Security Deposits Fund (802); and the Donations & Bequests Fund (803) for current expenses and other expenditures of the City of Willowick, State of Ohio, during the calendar year ending December 31, 2021, and declaring an emergency.

Motion made by Ms. Antosh, seconded by Mr. Phares to waive the three day rule on Ordinance No. 2021-53 as amended.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Mr. Malta, seconded by Ms. Antosh to waive the three readings on Ordinance No. 2021-53 as amended.

Discussion: None.

Vote: all ayes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Ms. Antosh, seconded by Mr. Malta to adopt Ordinance No. 2021-53 as amended.

Discussion: None.

Vote: all ayes. Motion carried.

5. Ordinance No. 2021- 54 (Finance Director)

An Ordinance to make appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures of the City of Willowick, State of Ohio, during the first quarter ending March 31, 2022 and declaring an emergency.

Motion made by Mr. Malta, seconded by Ms. Antosh to waive the three readings on Ordinance No 2021-54.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Mr. Phares, seconded by Ms. Antosh to adopt Ordinance No. 2021-51.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

6. Resolution No. 2021-43 (Finance Director)

A Resolution accepting the rates as determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor and declaring an emergency.

Motion made by Mr. Malta, seconded by Mr. Phares to waive the three readings on Resolution No. 2021-43.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Ms. Antosh, seconded by Mr. Phares to approve Resolution No. 2021-43.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

7. Resolution No. 2021-44 (Law Director)

A Resolution to accept the material terms of the One Ohio Subdivision Settlement pursuant to the One Ohio Memorandum of Understanding and consistent with the terms of the July 21, 2021 National Opioid Settlement Agreement, and declaring an emergency.

Motion made by Ms. Antosh, seconded by Mr. Malta to waive the three readings on Resolution No. 2021-44.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Mr. Phares, seconded by Ms. Antosh to approve Resolution No. 2021-44.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

8. Resolution No. 2021- 45 (Law Director)

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor of the City of Willowick to enter into a cooperative agreement with the City of Wickliffe, Ohio, for purposes of obtaining grant funding from the Ohio Public Works Commission for the Lakeland Boulevard Pavement Improvements Project, and declaring an emergency.

Motion made by Ms. Antosh, seconded by Mr. Phares to waive the three readings on Resolution No. 2021-45.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Mr. Malta, seconded by Mr. Phares to approve Resolution No. 2021-45.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

MISCELLANEOUS

9. Motion made by Ms. Antosh, seconded by Mr. Phares to declare the items set forth on Exhibit "A" as surplus, obsolete, unneeded and unfit for public use and authorizing their disposal.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

10. Motion made by Ms. Antosh, seconded by Mr. Malta authorizing the expenditure in the amount of \$13,855.43 to Civica for the 2022 license, support and maintenance of the payroll, finance and fixed asset software.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

11. Motion made by Mr. Phares, seconded by Ms. Antosh authorizing the expenditure in the amount of \$120,438.99 to Wichert Insurance for the 2022 Property and Liability Insurance Program.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

12. Motion made by Mr. Phares, seconded by Ms. Antosh authorizing an expenditure to Willoughby Eastlake School System in the amount of \$201,879.36 for PILOT reimbursement per the TIF agreement.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

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None.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Mr. Phares, seconded by Ms. Antosh to adjourn.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST: _____

CLERK OF COUNCIL